

280 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THEIR TWO OFFICERS.[

men, died of a hurt ; for had been before shot In the throat with an arrow, at the first encounter,

The next morrow^ about ten of the clock, we departed from thence, bound two and two together, and guarded as before,. And so travelled on our way towards Mexico, till we came to a town within forty leagues of Mexico, named Mesticlan ; where is a House of Black Friars; and in this town there are about the number of 300 Spaniards, men, women, and children. The Friars sent us meat from the House ready dressed ; and the Friars, and men and women, used us very courteously, and gave us some shirts and other such things as we lacked. Here our men were very sick of their agues ; and with the eating of another fruit, called in the Indian tongue, *Guiaccos*.

The next morning, we departed from thence, with our two Spaniards, and Indian guard; as aforesaid.

Of these two Spaniards, the one was an aged man, who, all the way, did very courteously intreat us ; and would carefully go before to provide for us, both meat and things necessary, to the uttermost of his power. The other was a young man, who, all the way, travelled with us, and never departed from us; who was a very cruel caitiff. He carried a javelin in his hand; and sometimes when our men, with very feebleness arid faintness, were not able to go as fast as he required them ; he would take his javelin in both his hands> and strike them with the same, between the neck and the shoulders so violently that he would strike them down : then would he cry, and say, *Marches ! marches Ingleses perros ! Luthemnos ; enemigos de DIOS !* which is as much as to say in English, " March ! march on, you English dogs ! Lutherans ! enemies to GOD !"

And the next day, we came to a town called Pachuca. There are two places of that name, as this Town of Pachuca ; and the Mines of Pachuca, which are mines of silver, and are about six leagues distant from this town of Pachuca, towards the north-west.

Here, at this town, the good old man, our governor, suffered us to stay two days and two nights, having compassion of our sick and weak men : full sore against the mind of the young man, his companion.

From thence, we took our journey, ^nd travelled four or